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Rob Muir and Jerelyn Craden perform *Somewhere Over the Rainbow* during the flag-raising ceremony that kicked off Minden Pride on Aug. 19 (organizers were going to turn the flag the right way up following the ceremony). /CHAD INGRAM Staff

'This is why Minden Pride is needed'

Organizers reaffirm purpose behind LGBTQ+ celebration

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

While the kickoff to this year's Minden Pride was a jubilant celebration, it also came with an unfortunate reminder of why the event is held in the first place.

The Minden Hills municipal building was festooned with rainbows, its parking lot packed with people, the songs of Queen drifting through the air as the rainbow flag was raised to mark the start of the fourth annual Minden Pride on the morning of Monday, Aug. 19.

Throngs of people, many decked out in bright colours or waving flags of their own, gathered to hear speeches from Minden Pride organizers.

Minden Pride chairman David Rankin welcomed and thanked attendees, recognizing event co-founders Bob Baynton-Smith and Sinclair Russell, "who, a few years ago, answered a senseless act of homophobic vandalism with a very positive community response and created Minden Pride."

"Minden Pride could not exist without the tremendous support of donors and our sponsors," Rankin continued. "This financial and in-kind aid allows us to stage a fabulous, weeklong program of events." He also thanked the event's volunteer organizers.

Heaven finishes second in freestyle at 2019 Championships

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

Surrounded by historical buildings from Minden's bygone era, Coleman Heaven made a little history for himself and the town with a podium finish (the first in recent memory) in the 2019 Canoe Kayak Whitewater National Championships held from Wednesday, Aug.

14 to 18 at the Minden Wild Water Preserve.

Heaven spoke to a small gathering at the 2019 World Tour Paddling Film festival about his sport a few hours after winning silver in the junior field for the freestyle event.

Heaven, who graduated from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School past year, entered this year's nationals with the aim to make it to the podium after a disappointing fourth place at last year's national champion-

ships held in Alberta.

He was shocked to have his dream realized.

"I was super stoked, you know? I heard third and, I was like, 'Oh, OK.' I was expecting third, maybe second and when I heard third, I was like, 'Oh, no, I hope I made [the podium].'" When my name was called, I was like, 'Ahhh, I've never been on the podium' so I didn't really know what to do with my

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There was a strong turnout for the kickoff of Minden Pride outside the Minden Hills municipal office on Aug. 19. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

50 years since Stonewall riots

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This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall riots in New York City, an uprising by the LGBTQ+ community against the New York Police Department in retaliation for years of raids on gay bars. The riots are considered to have essentially given birth to the gay rights movement in North America.

"This is why Minden Pride is needed," Rankin said, recalling the discrimination that was faced by homosexuals at the time. "Becoming frustrated by being legally restricted from drinking alcohol when wearing non-gender-conforming attire, and from dancing with same-sex partners, patrons of the Stonewall Inn began a movement of resistance, following a police raid in the early morning hours of June 28. Although many protests had happened prior to Stonewall, these riots, which lasted six nights, are largely seen as the beginning of the gay rights movement."

Rankin noted their timing at the end of June is the reason why many Pride events take place around that time of year. "But Pride is ongoing," he said, "and many communities celebrate at different times throughout the year."

Ottawa Pride is also taking place this week. Also in 1969, the Criminal Law Amendment Act was passed by the Canadian government.

"This omnibus bill formed the legal foundations for the Canadian gay rights movement, and the beginning of equality in Canada for the queer community. This amendment effectively decriminalized homosexual acts between consenting adults over the age of 21. While this was a major change from the then-recent incarceration of men who were gay, it still did not create equality for the LGBTQ+ community. Even to this day, the criminal code is not equal for people who engage in same-sex expressions of love. We still have to work to do. This is why Minden Pride is needed."

Rankin noted that this year, just days prior to the start of the event, someone cut a Minden Pride banner off the Loggers' Crossing footbridge.

"We do not why this occurred, nor the motive behind it," Rankin said. "What we do know, is that following the sharing of this information, more than 12,000 people and counting have read about this online, and hundreds have sent

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Organizers promote acceptance at Pride

from page 2

written support for Minden Pride. A very small, but nonetheless concerning group of people, have chosen to send messages expressing their ignorance and bigotry. This is why we need Minden Pride.”

“Today and this week, Minden, we come together as an inclusive and diverse community, to celebrate who we are and to show that we are proud of ourselves, our friends, and our family members,” Rankin said.

Minden Hills Councillor Jennifer Hughey brought a message of inclusiveness on behalf of the township.

Hughey quoted Russell from a 2017 *Minden Times* story. In that story, Russell said, “It’s not really all that much about being gay. It’s about being inclusive to everybody. We don’t expect the world to turn gay, we just want everybody to be accepted.”

“And I think that’s what all of us here want, am I right?” Hughey said to a round of applause.

Hughey thanked Minden Pride organizers, and referencing the situation with the banner, said, “We rally around ourselves. We are a very caring community and I think that’s something we should all be proud of. Certainly, I think we’re just looking for the practice of including people who might otherwise be excluded, or marginalized, and working hard as a group, as a township, as a county, and world . . . to promote inclusion. I think this community does a really good job at doing that, and I’m very proud to be part of it.”

Russell gave a talk about the significance of the colours on the Pride flag, and The Minden Pride Players, directed by Daniel Manley, provided a musical backdrop that included renditions of songs by Queen, the Village People, and *Respect*, the Otis Redding song made famous by Aretha Franklin.

Jerelyn Craden, accompanied by guitarist Rob Muir, sang *Somewhere Over the Rainbow* as the Pride flag was raised outside the township office.



Minden Pride chairman David Rankin gives a speech during the celebration's opening ceremonies on Aug. 19. There have been Pride-themed events throughout the week, which continue through this weekend.



The Minden Pride Players, directed by Daniel Manley, treated the crowd to a number of tunes, including some by Queen and the Village People, during the flag-raising ceremony.



When they heard someone had cut the Minden Pride banner off the Loggers' Crossing footbridge, Naomi, left, and Clementine Bainbridge made a new one. /Photo submitted

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Choosing the path of sustainability

by **SUE TIFFIN**
Times Staff

Long after Dr. Dan Longboat finished his talk to a crowd of about 70 people, he was surrounded by people asking questions, shaking his hand, and posing for pictures with him.

Longboat, or Roronhiakewen (He Clears the Sky) spoke on the topic of *A Way of Life: Indigenous Knowledge to Sustain the World* on Aug. 10 at the Minden Hills Community Centre as a summer speaker at an Environment Haliburton event. An associate professor in the Chanie Wenjack School for Indigenous Studies at Trent University, director of the Indigenous Environmental Studies and Sciences program and acting director for the Indigenous Environmental Institute, Longboat is also a Turtle Clan member of the Mohawk Nation, and citizen of the Rotinoshon:ni (Haudenosaunee - People of the Longhouse) originally from Ohsweken, the Six Nations community on the Grand River.

EH board president Ryan Sisson, a former student of Longboat's, introduced his professor by saying he is celebrated for his traditional knowledge, which he embeds into his teachings, lecturing and teaching on diverse topics including Indigenous environmental knowledges and philosophy, Indigenous responses to environmental issues, interactive science and Indigenous knowledge systems, Indigenous education, pedagogy and Indigenous ways of knowing as founded upon Indigenous languages and cultures.

Longboat first congratulated and honoured



Dr. Dan Longboat, a guest speaker of Environment Haliburton, met with numerous interested guests after speaking on "A Way of Life: Indigenous Knowledge to Sustain the World," at an Aug.10 event held at the Minden community centre./SUE TIFFIN Staff

the audience, which he acknowledged as an older crowd, for the work they do in putting thought toward environmental issues, and in

so doing, being concerned about the welfare of their children, grandchildren and family.

He said through his presentation he hoped to promote a sense of compassion, empathy and connection for the natural world, offering different words and framework for what he suspected the crowd had already thought about.

"I want to show you the relationship - the community of way of life," he said. "Many of you know the importance of it, I'm just giving you another perspective of that connection."

Longboat spoke to the audience about the history of the Haudenosaunee (who the French refer to as Iroquois and the British refer to as Six Nations). He explained a powerful system of government, with hereditary chiefs, male and female leaders, and helpers who support the leadership in emphasizing participatory democracy, ensuring all people in the clan family have a voice.

When the leaders get together to make decisions, Longboat said they ask three questions regarding the decisions they make.

"Number one, what will the impact be of this decision on the peace and the welfare of the people that exist right now. Two, what is the impact of that decision on the earth, and on creation, on the water, on animals, on birds, on all the different things that we have a responsibility to care for, what will the impact be. And the third thing is what will be the impact of that on future generations, how will that impact the welfare of future generations."

"It's interesting to see that if we had a system of government in place now that has made a decision-making process that follows that line then we'd be living in a different world right now," he said. "You wouldn't have many of the issues that we are being impacted with now."

Longboat said his people believe that when the creator had all of nature and creation the way he intended it to be, he made four sacred colours of human beings. He gathered beautiful black rich earth from the

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Everything you see is tied together in a reciprocal relationship.

— DR. DAN LONGBOAT

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forest to create a black man and woman. He scooped white foam from a waterfall to create white man and woman. He took red earth to make the red man and woman, and he took the delicate yellow bark from the inside the tree to create yellow man and woman.

"All the things in the natural world, it's all tied together," said Longboat. "Even though we may not have the intellect or the capacity to understand the complexity of how the natural world works because it's way beyond the human mind - we know bits and pieces of it and have a good understanding of it, but the intricacies of how that works is beyond human capacity."

Everything in the natural world has a purpose and responsibility and connection, he said.

"Even though we might not quite understand it or really get to where we can grasp it, everything we see from the smallest little bug all the way to the biggest bird, to the smallest little plant to the biggest tree, to the sun, the moon, the stars, the water, the earth, everything that you see, we understand those things as being alive, and they're all tied together."

Longboat said the creator gave everything in the world original instructions, which tie back to protecting life. For example, deer were told that many things would depend on them, and that when the gardens had ceased to provide anymore in the fall, deer should sacrifice themselves to help humans. He explained the ceremony that happens prior to hunting, with weapons piled in the centre of a longhouse being danced around. Thoughts are put into tobacco, which is burned, and the deer is acknowledged for giving itself to men. Later, parts of the deer's body are used to adorn leaders.

"In the same way the deer has given up its life as a sacrifice to care for us the people, those male leaders give up their life to sustain and to sacrifice themselves for our world," he said. "We have hereditary chiefs, appointed and put in those positions, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, for their entire life, until they become older."

When the creator saw the four sacred colours of human beings had not followed the original instructions of loving one another and caring for another, he said he would separate the people into the four corners of the earth.

"[The creator] gave us our original instructions as well: love one another, care for each other, sustain and share with one another, always be generous and have great care and empathy and compassion for each other," said Longboat. "He says learn how to live within the cycles and balances of the natural world, and let nature be your teacher."

In contrast to western traditions in which most of the knowledge comes from men, Longboat said the Indigenous knowledge

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Township tired of MTO spinning its wheels

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is sending a letter to the Ministry of Transportation with its concerns about how delays with the ministry's approval process are holding up projects in the township.

During an Aug. 14 Haliburton County roads committee meeting, county public works director Craig Douglas explained the county was still waiting on permission from the MTO for establishment of a temporary entrance for a culvert replacement project on County Road 13, a joint project between the county and the Township of Algonquin Highlands.

"So, that delay is one of a number that Algonquin Highlands is experiencing at the moment, with our friends at the MTO," Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said during the committee meeting.

Moffatt explained she'd contacted MPP Laurie Scott regarding the issue, and was seeking support from Algonquin Highlands council to send a letter to Minister of Transportation Caroline Mulroney, support the township council granted during a meeting the following day.

"Not only the joint project with the township and the county with regard to that culvert replacement and that entrance, but a number of other things, which for us include extensive delays on replacing failed septic systems," Moffatt said, adding, "It's the elephant in the room, the MTO is problematic with permits and moving projects forward in all of our jurisdictions."

Algonquin Highlands' letter to the MTO lists a number of projects that have been delayed as applicants await permission from the ministry, including three failed septic systems replacements; a four-month wait for approval to repair the roof on the township's trails office along Highway 35; a four-month wait for approvals regarding a pavilion at Oxtongue Lake; a more than two-year wait for applications for a sleeping cabin and building addition; and an addition

to a Dorset cottage for which the applicant has been trying to get permission since October of 2017.

In many cases, these delays also include strings of unanswered emails, in one case as many as a dozen.

"Council respectfully requests your assistance in addressing some serious delays with correspondence and required action from the Ministry of Transportation," reads the letter, signed by Moffatt. "The months-long lack of response we're experiencing is not only discourteous, it's unacceptable. Delays in the provision of information and permits are not only negatively affecting RFPs, construction timelines, staff scheduling and budgets, they're putting Ontarians at risk."

Regarding the culvert replacement with the county, the letter reads, "There have been multiple attempts to contact ministry staff in order to move the joint project forward, and township staff have been told to 'keep chasing her,' meaning ministry staff. The RFP is ready to be issued, however this delay has been so long that the project may be delayed until next year."



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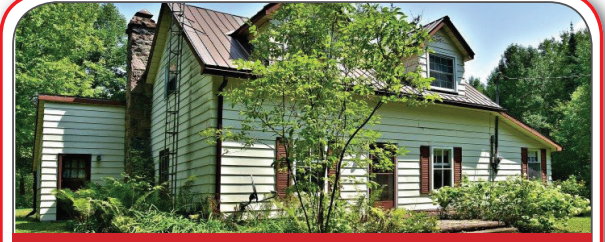


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I WASN'T GOING to write a "this is why we need Minden Pride" column this year, as I have in others.

I thought, as a community, we were beyond that. I was going to write about the county's acquisition of the Minden daycare and how that is the best case scenario regarding that situation.

However, late last week, somebody decided to cut the Minden Pride banner off the Loggers' Crossing bridge. So, here we go.

First, it should be noted, as Minden Pride chairman David Rankin said during the flag-raising ceremony on Monday, "We do not know why this occurred, nor the motive behind it."

It is possible that whoever cut down the banner just has it out for banners in general. However, while it may be an assumption, logic dictates that it was likely an act of homophobic vandalism. Minden Pride itself was created in response to an act of homophobic vandalism.

In fact, all Pride celebrations were born out of protest, out of retaliation and resistance. The Stonewall riots in New York City, which occurred a half-century ago this summer and were an uprising by the LGBTQ+ community against the New York Police Department for years of oppression and brutality, essentially gave way to the gay rights movement in North America. Until that same year, it was still illegal to be homosexual in Canada and people, mostly men, were incarcerated for it. Canada's largest

Pride celebration, Pride Toronto, was born out of protest in 1981 in response to series of bathhouse raids in the city by police. Pride celebrations, while often jubilant occasions, are at their root protests, and whoever cut the banner off the footbridge in Minden has demonstrated in their own special way why they are necessary.

If you're somebody who walks around asking why the LGBTQ+ community gets its own parade, it's probably because you are somebody

who doesn't need a parade. You probably have nothing to protest. You probably don't face discrimination or harassment based on the way you were born.

Pride is not about special treatment, it's about equal treatment. It's about inclusion and equality, socially

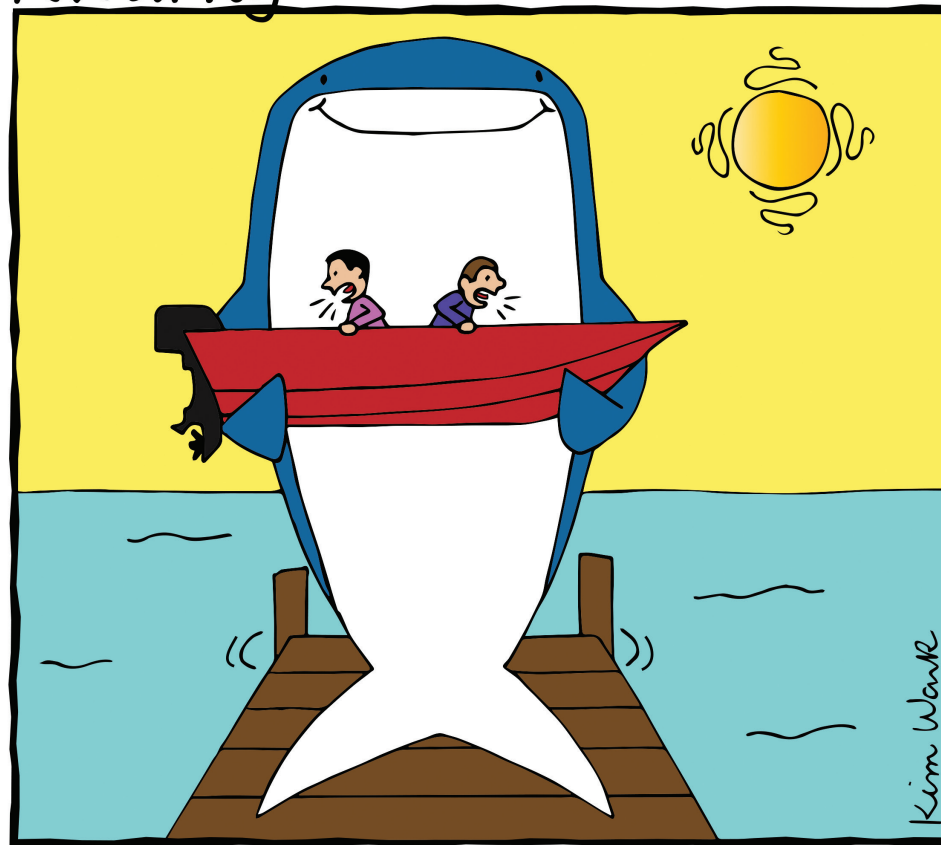
and under the law. If you have a problem with Pride, it's definitely you who has the problem.

I hope that whoever cut down the banner was a teenager or a kid, so at least the act can be somewhat written off as youthful ignorance. If the culprit was an adult, then that's just profoundly sad. Either way, it doesn't detract from, and will not deter, the inclusive, caring and positive things happening in this community.

Case in point: After learning the banner had been cut down, a pair of Minden sisters, with some help from their grandmother, replaced the banner with one of their own making. Thank you to Naomi and Clementine Bainbridge for your demonstration of the true spirit of this community.

**CHAD INGRAM**
Reporter

Kwarky

*Fishing Boat Derby: First Prize*

Blackberries for the picking

I ONCE HEARD someone liken the wounds received picking blackberries to those acquired during a particularly long cougar mauling. Don't you believe it – there's no way cougar claws could match the damage inflicted by your average-sized blackberry patch. The average cougar is not nearly as cruel.

Those painful, prickly thorns are just one reason why you never see cougars in blackberry patches.

I did see hornets yesterday, however. One was biting the back of my knee and the other the back of my shoulder, which made it just a normal outing in the blackberry patch.

This should come as no surprise to all you blue-fingered veterans. A typical day in the blackberry canes means you will attain new physical and emotional scars. Yet, this is a small price to pay for collecting enough blackberries to make a few jars of blackberry jam.

The physical scars are actually good to have. All you need to do is spend 10 minutes in a blackberry patch wearing shorts and T-shirt and you can walk into any biker bar in North America and enjoy yourself. Your average biker doesn't want to bother anyone that crazy.

The emotional scars are a different matter though.

When you have been held captive by the evil tentacles of a blackberry bush for more than an hour, you begin to lose hope. And not just that you will never see your loved ones again or get to those beautiful berries just out of reach before the bears do.

No, you lose hope that you will never fill your berry pail with enough berries to make

the six or seven jars of jam that will sustain you through the winter. The reason is that the longer you are stuck in the canes, the more berries you will eat from your almost full pail.

This is the constant struggle of all berry picking – maintaining a positive ratio between the berries you collect versus the berries you eat. If that ratio gets out of whack, you will have picked six quarts of berries and still have none in your pail. That's the main reason it is best to go berry picking with an inattentive person. Bears are the second.

Typically, I try to eat just one berry for every 10 I pick – and I eat the rest when I get back to my SUV. Then, I go back and pick more berries until I am finally sick of eating them and can fill a pail with ease.

If all this seems like a lot of work, let me just confirm it is. But it is also incredibly rewarding. Plus, blackberry picking has unexpected perks. For

instance, after a morning in a berry patch mosquitoes don't have to puncture you to get to your blood. Also, a berry patch is a great place to be if you have itches in places you can't reach.

Mostly, however, there is nothing like the feeling of accomplishment you get when you arrive home with a full pail of berries while your inattentive friend suddenly has none – especially when you look at the price of them in the store.

Is blackberry picking for everyone? I'd say no.

In fact, I've even heard people say only bears and idiots spend a lot of time in blackberry patches. I am doubtful of that, however. When I was out in the patch yesterday, I didn't see either one.

**STEVE GALEA**
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Winning the biggest race

H. G. WELLS, The English author of *The War of the Worlds*, once wrote that human history “becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe.”

In today’s unsettled times it appears that catastrophe is winning.

Despite literacy rates increasing, the world seems less civil, less tolerant and less well-ordered. Those three characteristics all are products of good education. Education, and the human qualities it allows us to develop, is our best defence against catastrophes.

That’s worth thinking about as millions of children return to schools where they will receive classroom teaching in mathematics, reading and writing, science and other traditional subjects. If they are lucky, they might get some lessons on how to become better human beings.



JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman’s Rock

It’s that last sentence that has me wondering whether our education systems need a rebalancing in terms of what and how they teach. Are they teaching too much of the stuff that helps us to acquire high-paying, high-influence work, and not enough about how to be thoughtful, caring, ethical individuals?

Certainly there is ample evidence that our society needs a heavy dose of education on how to behave.

Bullying, for instance, has become a major issue in our schools. On our streets and highways, road rage is costing us much in money, injuries and deaths. On social media and other internet sites we see people who toss aside thoughtfulness and tolerance the moment their fingers touch a keyboard.

In politics we see purposeful dialogue abandoned in favour of boisterous intolerance, totally lacking civility. Many politicians forget, or simply ignore, the fact that there is a critical link between civility and ethics.

Respect for others is a cornerstone of ethics, which teaches us to treat people with empathy and not simply for our own personal advantage.

Our school systems should put more emphasis on, and more resources into, teaching character building. They could take a page – in fact a few pages – from what I consider to be the very best of educations; the Jesuit school system.

Yes, Jesuit education is faith based, part of the Roman Catholic Church which has its own problems. But look beyond the religious connection to see how the Jesuit system teaches the best of human values. It is a system that promotes intellectual competence, a commitment to justice and openness to growth.

It aims to train leaders in fields ranging from politics, to entertainment and sports. Anyone who looks up a list of Jesuit alumni might be surprised to see the number of names in leadership positions.

Not all Jesuit educated persons follow the lessons of commitment to justice and ethical values. A recent example is Prime Minister Justin Trudeau who argued last week that jobs are more important than ethics.

That basically was his response to the Ethics Commissioner’s report that he violated the Conflict of Interest Act when he tried to have then-justice minister Jody Wilson-Raybould let Quebec-based engineering firm SNC-Lavalin off the hook on criminal charges.

It is not that the prime minister did not know that what he was doing was ethically wrong. His early education was at College Jean-de-Brebeuf, the Jesuit school also attended by his father Pierre, Canada’s 15th prime minister.

However, that’s a discussion for another time, in another place and by other people. The point here is that the Jesuit education system, as well as some others, offers examples of what is needed in our public school systems.

Our public schools need more emphasis on teaching students how to take responsibility for themselves, as well as how to advocate intelligently for themselves and their beliefs and principles. They need to teach students the need to gather and analyse facts before making judgments.

Many potential catastrophes exist in our world. Wars, climate change, mass migrations of people, drug epidemics, gun violence are just a few that threaten our existence. However, all potential catastrophic problems can be solved, or at least alleviated.

The keys to our continued existence are better educated populations, which can be built by making education our most important priority.

Ours has become a world of thoughtless social media, too much junk TV and “populist” leaders who talk and think like gangsters.

We can do better with better education, and win the race against catastrophe.

letters to the editor

Pride banner reward

To the Editor

To the person or persons responsible for the loss of our Pride banner, I personally will pay \$500 for the arrest and conviction of said above.

Bob Baynton-Smith
Minden Pride
Founding Member

I spy with my little eye...

EVERY MORNING I open my eyes. I don’t think twice about the fact that I can see. Right now I’m sitting outside watching a couple of bees hover around a purple thistle flower. Again, I don’t think twice about the fact that I can see. When I stop to think about it, like in this moment, I am bewildered and grateful. I have been wearing eyeglasses since I was in Grade 7 or 8. Thankfully my eyesight isn’t that bad. It hasn’t changed much in the past 20 years and it’s my goal that it doesn’t worsen.

My optometrist has some fancy equipment that takes photos inside the eye. So far, his comment is that everything looks good and I should keep doing what I am doing. Without researching what the experts say I believe the following lifestyle practices have kept my eyes working well:

- **Fitness:** The most important benefit of maintaining a good fitness level is a strong and effective circulatory system. Circulation is the answer to everything that ails us. The old statement of “in with the good, and out with the bad” applies. The “good” is made of nutrients and the “bad” are waste by-products. I can’t help but think that having a strong heart (pump) and a good circulatory system (pipes) have kept my eyes, and the rest of me, so healthy.

- **Nutrition:** There’s also the statement “garbage in, garbage out.” Our bodies need nutrients. Plain and simple macronutrients (carbohydrates, protein and fat) and micronutrients (vitamins and minerals). It is best to put them into our bodies in their purest form so that our bodies don’t have to waste energy pulling out the good stuff and getting rid of the bad.

- **Rest/Sleep:** I can’t say enough about getting enough sleep. It is the best medicine that we can give ourselves.

- **Eye Protection:** This not only includes safety glasses but also sunglasses. People

are developing cataracts at much younger ages than ever before. This is being attributed to the increase in the strength of the sun both on clear and cloudy days. While sunglasses can be a fashion statement (I do love them for that) you do get what you pay for. Cheap sunglasses do nothing to protect your eyes from the sun. Make the investment.

In addition to the practices listed I also get my eyes checked regularly. When it comes to our health, it’s important to catch anything that can threaten it as early as possible.

Now - where did I put my glasses?

Something to think about.

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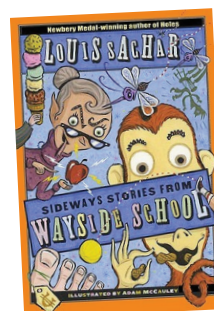


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Tammy Nash took this photo of a bear in profile in Algonquin Highlands.


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Taking time to recharge

Will Rea stands with his Tesla model 3 car while it recharges at the charging station located at the Minden Animal Hospital. Rea was the first to use the station and said a full charge would take close to two hours at the Minden location. His car has a range of 500 kilometres, he said. Recharging can cost up to \$15. The stations are found with his car's onboard navigation unit (for Tesla power stations) and with an app called Plugshare (www.plugshare.com). This is the first universal charging station in Haliburton County. There are two Tesla stations already: one at Riverside Inn in Norland and at the Boshkung Brewing Co. in Carnarvon. At his home, he uses an "oven plug" or 50 amp plug to recharge his car. Rea said the car's drivetrain is expected to last one million miles and its batteries to last half of that. Minden Animal Hospital owner Jenn Morrow said she included the charging unit in her new location to benefit the environment. Charging is accessible to the public for free, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The station is under surveillance. /DARREN LUM Staff

County considers uses for traffic data

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed during an Aug. 14 Haliburton County roads committee meeting.

Councillors on the county's roads committee would like to see the data collected by the county's digital radar traffic signs analyzed and if it's demonstrated that certain areas present systemic speeding issues, have that information passed to the OPP.

The county owns two of the signs, which are moved around to different areas, recently stationed near Kawagama Lake, Ingoldsby and Highland Grove. The devices, which display in red lighting how fast vehicles are travelling, have been shown to modify motorists' behaviour, mitigating speeding. They also collect and store traffic data, and Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt said she'd like to see that data analyzed and put to use.

"If we're not tracking it and knowing the outcome, then what's the point?" Moffatt said. "You can say, you know, we're changing behaviour . . . but if we're going to do it, then we should do something with it."

"It changes behaviour, we've had evidence here and elsewhere," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin, adding that taking action against speeding in certain areas would require investing money and resources.

"And so, without the analysis of the data, we can't identify the trouble spots where we would make the choice to invest that kind of money or energy to try to do something," Moffatt said, adding that council could request targeted police patrols of certain areas, for example.

Public works director Craig Douglas said that the data could be passed along to the OPP.

Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy suggested that the data be regularly presented to the roads committee, so members could keep an eye on speeding trends, and suggested a sample info package be brought to a future meeting.

"I philosophically disagree with us doing this, it should be an OPP initiative, not ours, but that's a topic for another day," Kennedy said.

Boosting roads budget

Staff are requesting a one-time \$3 million increase in the county's capital roads budget for 2020, and are suggesting borrowing those funds.

"Staff are very pleased with the incremental budget increases that are moving the county towards sustainability in capital roads works," a report from public works director Craig Douglas reads. "However, the roads infrastructure gap remains an issue because our resurfacing program will remain one step behind the needs of the roads over the next five years. In fact, unless additional steps are taken, the level of service of the roads is forecast to worsen in the short term before we see a significant rebound in the overall performance of the county roads."

The county's capital roads spending for 2019 was approximately \$3.2 million.

While councillors on the committee supported the idea of a one-time infusion of \$3 million, they were not supportive of borrowing the money at this time.

Staff will bring a subsequent report back to the committee regarding the loan term, interest rates and how repayments would affect the 2020 budget.

Conserving energy

Steven Thornton of Highland Technical gave a presentation to committee members regarding an energy conservation and demand management plan for the county.

Fifty to 60 per cent of energy use in any building is dedicated to space heating.

"Your HVAC system is always your biggest energy use," Thornton told councillors.

Therefore, he said, keeping building envelope in mind when constructing new facilities can help to reduce energy consumption.

"You want to invest in the size of your buildings, first," Thornton said.

As far the county's overall greenhouse gas emissions, public works director Craig Douglas said approximately 20 per cent of emissions come from facilities, about two per cent from electricity use, and the remainder from its vehicle fleets.

"All our fleets are significant," Douglas said.

The county is in the process of creating a climate change plan.

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Having fun with history: Costumed actors portrayed characters based on local historical figures on Aug.10 at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre as part of a live history event. Visitors toured through the buildings a the centre while engaging in a scavenger hunt of sorts, completing tasks, solving puzzles, and interacting with actors. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

History comes alive at Cultural Centre

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

The Minden Hills Cultural Centre provided the setting and backdrop for a live history performance on Aug. 10. The Live History theatre company troupe customized the interactive show, called In Time, to the location and history of the area. Guests arrived throughout the day to be given tasks

and quests to complete on a scavenger hunt around the buildings while interacting with characters – including Reverend Frederick Burt, Mr. Goddard the banker, Miss McCormick and Mrs. Mary Bowron – within a time limit. Visiting from Kingston, a multi-generational family was all smiles as they moved from task to task, solving puzzles and occasionally meeting in the “village square” to hear discussions between characters. “We love the Minden museum, we come every year,” said Heather.

“This is fantastic,” said Armand, of the Live History event that made for a unique outing. Alex said he learned that money wasn’t the same back in the olden days, while Carol said it was great fun, but a little difficult to figure out the budget for flowers in the bank. “We were revisiting long division,” said Heather. The Live History theatre troupe has performed in a wide variety of places throughout the world, including at the Haliburton museum.

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Rewarding podium finish on home turf for Heaven

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hands. So I walked up and I didn't know what to do with my hands at all," he said. "It was sweet. Everyone was super stoked. It was just an awesome day."

It was during the second round of competition where he had the greatest difficulty, he said.

"It was all the tricks I knew I could easily do. I was hung up and I was on my third and last run and I finally got it done there. That was stressful. Round three I managed to pull it all together and pull it off," he said.

In each of the first two rounds with 14 competitors, the competition demanded competitors perform four of seven listed tricks known as a "jam" format. Then the competition was left with four junior riders (and one cadet) and switched to International Canoe Federation rules for the final. This is when each competitor is allowed three rides, 45 seconds in duration to complete one ride to count to a single high score. Do as many tricks in the time allotted, but perform tricks only once.

Heaven scored a best score of 260 points, edging out third place finisher Luke Pomeroy by 10 points, but shy of first place winner Marc-Antoine D'Avignon, who finished with 370 points.

Heaven had said the podium finish was all the more rewarding because it happened at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. It was not only where he learned to white water kayak, but also where he spent hundreds of hours, making memories with his father and friends, including developing as a paddler.

The teenager said it was awesome to be able to achieve what he did in front of a supportive home crowd, comprising family and



Coleman Heaven performs a trick, which eventually led to a second place finish among juniors in the freestyle competition at the 2019 Canoe Kayak Whitewater National Championships held from Wednesday, Aug. 14 to 18 at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. Heaven, who is a recent graduate of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, was the lone local competitor at the national event, which included downriver classic, downriver sprint, extreme slalom and slalom. /DARREN LUM Staff

friends a year after finishing fourth at nationals in Alberta.

"So stoked to come back on to the home turf and put some stuff together and get redemption from last year," he said.

Both parents were there.

His mother Irene just made it in time to see her son compete and his father Paul was there, like always, feeding him water and his favourite fruit: peaches.

As far as the future goes, Heaven is not sure about moving up from junior and competing in the open men's division in freestyle, but is looking forward to his first year of engineering at Queen's University.

"Next year there is a lot more people obviously up to as many ages [allowed]. There

are a lot more way better [paddlers] than I am to be honest. We're just going to have to train throughout the winter and we'll see what happens," he said.

Making the national team is still a long-term goal of his, which will include a trip to Nottingham, U.K. for the 2021 ICF Canoe Freestyle World Championship.

Whatever the future holds for him, he hopes his Gull River performance will inspire others to take up the sport of white water kayaking and build the sport locally.

"It would be sick to watch it grow. It's a sweet sport. You don't have to pay to go kayaking really. Get your boat and go as much as you want. It's not that expensive of a sport to do. Everyone can do it. It's awesome," he

said.

Heaven encourages youth to follow in his wake.

With the white water so close and access to YouTube, youth have a great opportunity to put in as much time as they want and to develop their paddling to be among the best in the country. The key is to enjoy paddling though. From time on the water to the enjoyment of the sport, development will come and possibly success like he enjoyed on the Gull River.

"You just got to keep doing it for fun, you know? In the end you can't focus on trying to win. You have to enjoy it otherwise you're not going to progress," he said.

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Plans for new public works garage

by **CHAD INGRAM**
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discussed during an Aug. 15 Algonquin Highlands council meeting.

garage with office space off of North Shore Road.

Councillors heard a presentation from Frank Palmay of Tulloch Engineering regarding the project. Staff are recommending the

construction of a single-storey building containing office space and two drive-through bays, along with paved parking space for 14 vehicles. The project has an anticipated price tag of approximately \$1.3 million, however, councillors indicated they would also like to explore the construction of ground-mounted solar panels at the site, or at least design the project to allow for their installation in the future, and a subsequent staff report regarding that will come back to the council table.

The plan is for the building to be constructed near a sand pit along North Shore Road. The project will require significant site work.

“The site is not even remotely flat right now,” Palmay said, adding that excavation costs were estimated at about \$130,000. Total site works are expected to cost \$555,000.

“We’ve been talking about the deficiencies of the building next door for years,” said Mayor Carol Moffatt, referring to an aging public works garage along North Shore Road. Moffatt said the plan is to borrow the funds for the project.

“We are proposing to borrow money, and there’s definitely a levy increase attached to that,” she said, adding it made sense to take time and get the project right.

A further report will come back to council.

No funding for road repairs

Algonquin Highlands has once again been turned down for grant funding for repairs to North Shore Road. The township was unsuccessful in a grant application for nearly \$500,000 to the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund to help with repairs to the road between St. Peter’s Road and Airport Road.

“I have contacted the ministry and asked for an update on where we fell short,” public works director Adam Thorn told councillors.

The total cost of the work is more than \$740,000, and Thorn said he wanted to consult engineers to see what repairs the township could start doing internally.

“It’s something we have to start addressing right now,” Thorn said.

AH gets accessibility grant

While earlier this year the township was told it had been declined for a grant through the federal Enabling Accessibility Fund toward a lift system at the Stanhope library branch, in July, the township was informed that funding remained available, that the application had been reviewed, and that the township would be receiving money. The project is anticipated to cost just less than \$80,000, and the grant is for just more than \$50,000, with the township covering the remainder.

Taking aim at single-use plastics

Councillor Lisa Barry, who sits on the township’s environment and stewardship committee, said members of the committee are working toward a plan for reducing the use of single-use plastics in the township.

“The committee has sort of brainstormed looking at a plastics reduction strategy,” Barry said, adding this entailed looking at the township’s own in-house operations, as well as a public education component.

Public works director Adam Thorn said there have been discussions about reducing the use of single-use plastics within the roads department.

“We have been talking about reducing single-use plastics within our own staff,” Thorn said.

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Gall goes to the opera

Gemini award-winning actress and Minden resident Brigitte Gall, along with Reverend Ken McClure of St. George's Anglican Church in Haliburton, formerly a professional musical theatre performer, join the cast of young professional opera singers from across Canada and beyond for Highlands Opera Studio's production of *Ariadne auf Naxos* (Ariadne on [the desert island of] Naxos). Written by Richard Strauss in 1916, this fully staged two-act opera is a hilarious sitcom involving a circus troupe and a serious opera company competing for the limelight at a wealthy host's dinner party. Performances take place at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, Haliburton on Aug. 22 and 26 at 7:30 p.m.; Aug. 24 and 25 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$37.50 and can be purchased online, at the door, or by calling 705-457-5646 www.highlandsoperastudio.com. / Submitted by Valerie Kuinka

Water Walkers raise more than \$3,200

On Saturday Aug. 3, Minden Bible Church hosted the first Minden Water Walkers 6K event. Close to 100 people including locals and visitors walked for water and/or donated to help raise money for World Vision's water projects.

The community of Minden surpassed its goal of \$1,000 and raised more than \$3,200! That means more than 65 children will get clean water for one year. MBC will be presenting a cheque to World Vision Canada during the Sunday, Aug. 25 service begin-

ning at 10:30 a.m.

MBC would like to thank all the participants, donors, volunteers, local businesses and media for their support and for putting their love into motion.

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Parents are asked to please bring proof of address on this date. Examples include a copy of a current utility bill or property tax bill. A driver's license will not be sufficient.

- Should families not be able to attend on August 28th, please contact the school (705-457-2950) the week of August 26th to make alternate arrangements. We will do our best to accommodate!

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- Students must register online. Once signed up for online payments, families can register and pay for packages online. Once payment has been made, timetables can be viewed/accessed/retrieved the following day. To register or to sign in for online payments, please visit tlds.schoolcashonline.com
- Please contact the school for assistance in getting set up for online payments and registration.

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SCHOOL COUNCIL

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) for School Council (Parent Council) will be held on Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Learning Commons at the school. Everyone is welcome! Parent information forms for school council may be picked up during registration and/or the first week of school.

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Nortech opens Minden location

by CHAD INGRAM
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After years of serving customers in the Haliburton Highlands, Wayne and Nancy McNelly, who own Nortech Home Improvements Inc., have opened a showroom in Minden.

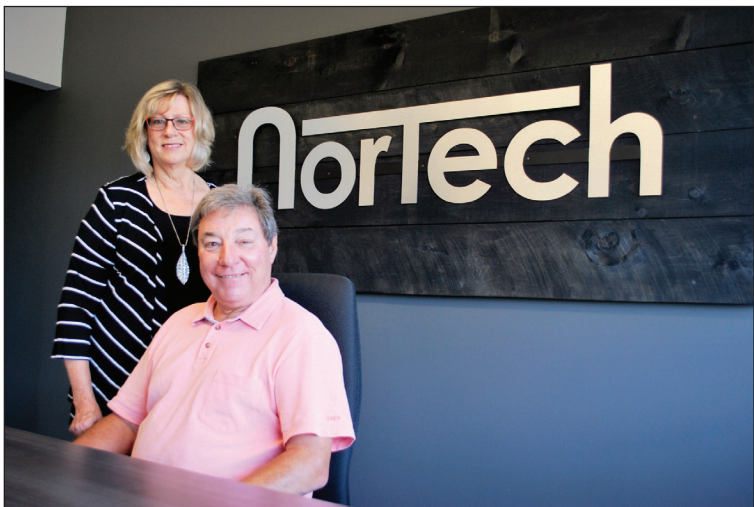
Based in Bobcaygeon, the 22-year-old business installs quality windows, doors, sunrooms and does porch enclosures.

“We have a lot of clients we’ve been serving up here,” says Wayne, explaining the

company has been doing work in Haliburton County essentially since it was incorporated in 1997 and is a regular attendee at the Haliburton Home and Cottage Show. The company does so much business in the Highlands, Wayne says it made sense to open a Minden location.

Nortech is located in the plaza at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 21 at 12818 Highway 35.

“As a family business, we have always tried to offer best value,” Wayne says. Wayne and Nancy’s son, Chris, is their business partner and the company employs some 20 people throughout the region. Along with



Wayne and Nancy McNelly recently opened a Nortech showroom in Minden, in the plaza at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 21. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

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way that allows for walls to consist almost entirely of windows, and for those windows to fold down into each other, allowing for an open-air room when desired.

The Minden location is open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call 705-738-0304 or visit <http://www.nortechhomeimprovements.com>.



Paddling film fest

A captive audience watches short films, backlit by lights from the historical buildings at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre on Aug. 16, at the Paddling Film Fest. One of the films was about a father and his seven-year-old son paddling stand-up paddle boards down a river in Nepal. The by-donation event coincided with the Canoe Kayak Whitewater National Championships at the Minden Wild Water Preserve. The screening was made possible by the Township of Minden Hills, Algonquin Outfitters and presented by Ontario Canada. There are screenings in more than 120 cities around the world.



Local musician Bethany Houghton performs at the Paddling Film Festival on Friday, Aug. 16 at the Minden Cultural. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Looking great with eight

Friends from left, Ciara Walsh, 11, Thomas Sierra, 13, Aislinn Walsh, 12, Juliana Sierra, 12, Zach Smith, 11, Grady McNeilage, 10, Jack McNeilage, 12, and Kelan Walsh, 9 wave while water skiing on the way to the Twelve Mile Regatta on Saturday, Aug. 10 in Minden Hills. The group had practiced during the week to see if they could do it (and there was a boat able to pull up to eight skiers). It was the first time the group had ever performed the feat. Photo courtesy of Doug McNeilage.

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Answers on page 21



"Mexico" by the Roberts, Irwin and Eldridge families, who were winners of the decorated boat contest at the Kushog Lake Property Owners Association annual picnic.

Highly decorated on Kushog

The first KLPOA picnic was established in 1985 and has taken place every year since then. It's held at Pine Springs Valley Resort and is always well attended by cottagers and full timers alike. It's a family tradition for so many on the lake and looked forward to every year by parents, grandparents and kids of all ages. There are water races, land races, and a decorated boats contest. The water balloon toss is a favourite, especially with the adults. The big event is the tug of war between the east side and the west side of the lake. One for the kids and one for the adults. West kids won and east adults won this year. The kids enjoyed getting their face painted and everyone enjoyed participating in the draw which featured merchandise and gift certificates from local merchants. Photos submitted by Susan Harvey



Left, "Lunar Landing" by the Black and Hillis families, runners up in the decorated boat contest.

Below left, Myles Black, Ben Hillis, Victoria and Penelope Conroy, Nadia Pesti and Kate Krete.

Below, the "Chefs" - Brad Barrow, Bob Phillips and David Gibson make the best back bacon on a bun.



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON
LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the Planning Act and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, this Application for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

1.

File No. H-015/19

Applicant: Neil & Margaret Harrison

Location of the Property: Pt Lot 24, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Stanhope, Now in the Township of Algonquin Highlands

Nature of the Application: Easement for Bell Services

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 22nd day of August, 2019.

Lisa Gillan
Secretary-Treasurer
Haliburton County Land Division Committee
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Getting kids ready for school

Approximately 100 backpacks were donated to Point in Time by Bell Canada on Aug. 15 for their annual Backpacks for Kids program, which supplies children with backpacks filled with back-to-school supplies. All backpack donations were funded by Haliburton area Bell employees, Peterborough Engineering office, Bell Mobility, and community sponsors. This year marks a milestone in the program, with 1,016 total backpacks filled and distributed throughout Haliburton County ever since the program's inception in 2007. According to Bell Canada, each backpack contains pencils, crayons, pencil crayons, markers, paper and notebooks, a ruler, and a pencil sharpener, thanks to Rhonda Cooper, owner of Needful Things. /VANESSA BALINTEC Staff

Fish derby approaching

DORSET NEWS

Lee Ross
burgesslt@me.com

The Dorset Lions Family Fish Derby and Roast Beef Dinner is taking place on Saturday, Aug. 31. Any fish caught that day on public waterway counts! Weigh-in is 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Prizes and trophies for participants will be handed out at the dinner. The Community Roast Beef Dinner takes place at 5:30 p.m. There will be door prizes, \$1,000 lottery draw and a \$500 bonus draw. Adults are \$19 and children 12 and under are \$12.

Tickets are available at the Lions table in front of Robinson's General Store Fridays (3 to 5:30 p.m.) and Saturdays (10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.), and at the door.

Come out and play radio bingo Monday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person to play, dabbers are available. Must be 18 years old to play.

On Aug. 20 from 5 to 6 p.m. there is a ladies' weight-training class. Light weights for ladies in a fun and friendly class on Tuesday evenings with Joanne MacLeod from 5 to 6 p.m. Ladies of all ages and abilities are welcome! Cost is \$5 per person per class. Come out and try it! Contact Joanne at jomac6058@gmail.com or 705-766-1546 or the rec centre for more information. Fee to instructor.

Wednesday, Aug. 21 movie night is Puss In Boots at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Admission by Donation and popcorn is free. Treats available to purchase.

Join Ardith Symmes for Gentle Yoga on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Participants should bring their own mat (if they have one), a towel and wear comfortable clothing. These classes are designed to work on improving balance and maintaining mobility, with the focus on the breath, body awareness, flexibility, and stress reduction. Yoga poses will take you from the floor, to hands and knees and standing positions. The cost is \$10 per person or \$100 for 10 sessions. All levels welcome. For more information contact Ardith at 705-766-0686.

Happy birthday to Emily Walisser and Jessica Pulfrey. Happy anniversary to Rick & Donna Keul. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



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Drag Queen Story Hour

When: Thursday, Aug. 22, 10:10 a.m.
Where: Minden library branch
Celebrate diversity and inclusion during Minden Pride Week. Stories led by a drag queen, crafts and fun for all ages!

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days, Marvelous Mushrooms

When: Saturday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m. to noon
Where: Barnum Creek Nature Reserve
Discover the fascinating world of mushrooms and other fungi with amateur naturalist Pat Birchell from the Mycological Society of Toronto. Learn to recognize many of the mushrooms found at this time of year in Haliburton County. Funded in part by TD Friends of the Environment
Contact: Haliburton Highlands Land Trust office 705-457-3700 or at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Lake Kashagawigamog Organization's (LKO) Kash Bash

When: Saturday, Aug. 24, 6:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Hockey Haven Camp, 2797 Kashagawigamog Lake Rd.
Cost: \$30 LKO members; \$35 non-members
Have fun with friends, while enjoying a meal, listening to music provided by Gary and the Rough Ideas, dancing and enjoying some wine or beer supplied by Haliburton Highlands Brewing Company Tickets: online at www.lko.ca

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, Aug. 28, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Tom Hodgson Book Launch

When: Saturday, Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: St. George's Anglican Church
Come by the church to meeting Tom Hodgson and buy a copy of his book, Remembering My Journey, which includes a section on Haliburton history.

Indigenous perspective holds lessons

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system differs in that “none of the knowledge we have among our peoples has come from the minds of men and women.” He said Indigenous people will turn to creation and the natural world for help when looking to solve an issue, and that putting positive energy into something that exists in the world creates a connection.

“Everything you see in the world is tied together in this way, everything is in a reciprocal relationship, they help us, we help them,” he said. “Just like in your own families, you care for your children and your grandchildren, you live and sacrifice your life for them ... we sacrificed a lot of our lives to sustain the welfare of those children. We have helped them, then they are at a certain age where they are able to help us. Everything you see is tied together in a reciprocal relationship.”

There would come a time, the creator said, that all four sacred colours of human beings would come back together again, and that would be the time they would have to determine whether life would continue, or not.

“No other time in human history have we had to face so many issues, the complexity of so many issues that we have to face right now,” said Longboat. “No other time in human history have we had to worry about issues around water, amount and quality; we have issues around global contaminants and toxins; loss of biodiversity; extinctions of species; loss of habitat; desertification; issues around food and food security ... all under the umbrella of climate change.”

Longboat made note of Skeniaterio, or Handsome Lake, who around 1790 received a number of dreams from a visitation of messengers.

“He told the people this, there will come a time, he says, because of the activities of human beings, that the earth will start to heat up,” said Longboat. “There will be certain trees and animals and plants that we will no longer see among us again. Animals and different things will behave differently. Their coats will start to turn white. That’s the time, that’s telling us, those animals and certain things are happening in the natural world, he says to watch out for these things.”

Longboat told the audience there are two pathways that human beings have the ability to engage in. One pathway leads to a focus that carries on sustaining life.

“[If] we as human beings pursue that process, then if we so choose, we will enjoy the benefits of that,” he said. “We

will enjoy abundant health, we will enjoy happiness, peace, love.”

“But I can tell you,” he said, “we’re not going to resolve those things in trying to think that there’s only one way to see the world. It’s an opportunity now for all four sacred colours of human beings – and now there’s a whole bunch of other shades that are involved in that – to bring our knowledge together, to work for the continuation of life, for the benefit of our children, our grandchildren, their grandchildren, and all the other things in the natural world that are depending on us as the human beings to fulfill the responsibility of living to care for nature.”

Longboat concluded his talk in the same manner in which he began, by thanking the audience members for teaching their children and grandchildren, acknowledging he had witnessed tremendous change in the nature and passion and commitment of young people in the past 25 years.

He offered to donate his speaker fee to the local school or a student in need.

For more information about Environment Haliburton visit environmenthaliburton.org.

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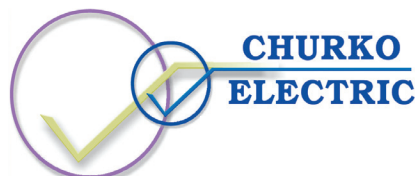
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FS-19-01**

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*Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Thursday
August 15th, 2019, in her 92nd year.*

Predeceased by her husband's John Garvin (1974) and Clayton Hummel (2013). She was the most loving and caring mother to Jill Garvin of Midland, Lori Kunkel (Dan), of Minden, Gord Hummel (Deb) of Barrie, Coralie Hummel of Vancouver and Cathy Stephens (Mike) of Minden. Predeceased by her oldest son, Byron Garvin (2001) and her beautiful daughter Jennifer Nealon (John) (2012).


Fondly remembered as Nanny or Nana, she will be missed immensely by her grandchildren, Wendy (Kevin), Linda, Bill (Rachelle), Steve (Lori), Erin, John (Breanne), Michael, Tammy (Kevin), Shelly (Evan, predeceased), Brandon (Rachelle) and Robbie, predeceased by Meaghan (Jay). Great Nanny to 15 great grandchildren and 2 great, great grandchildren. Sister of Nancy (Dave). Joan lived in Toronto and Sutton with her husband John raising their family until his passing in 1974.

Joan and Clayton married in 1977 and moved to Minden after both losing their spouses and formed the "Hummel Bunch". They spent many years on Mountain and Boshkung Lakes and winters traveling, or in Florida, Mexico, and Arizona. They lived a full life of entertaining friends and will be missed by their "Dinner Group". Joan spent the last 2 years living with her daughter Lori and Dan and enjoyed many walks with their dog Daisy and afternoons enjoying the sunshine.

Special thanks to Dr. Christina Stephenson & the nursing staff at Haliburton Hospital for their phenomenal care!

The family invites everyone to join them on Saturday August 24th, 2019 from 10:00 am until the time of the Service to Celebrate Joan's Life at the Minden Bible Church, 177 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden at 11:00 am. Reception to follow at the Church (downstairs).

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation or Highlands Community Pregnancy Care Centre Inc., would be appreciated and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Ruth Eileen Max
May 10, 1931 - August 11, 2019

*Passed peacefully surrounded by family at
Derbeckers Heritage House, St. Jacobs at age 88.*

Survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Jack Max; brother Bob Stinson (Joan); daughters Jody Max, Jennifer Gloin (Greg). Also survived by six grandchildren: Andrew Beattie (Caitlyn), Christopher Taylor, Emma Beattie (Rob), Matthew Taylor, Jake Gloin and Leah Gloin; and three great-grandchildren: Charlotte, James and Logan Beattie. Predeceased by her daughter Jill Max (Michael).

Ruth was born in Toronto but summered at Sandy Bay Road on Gull Lake (Minden) for much of her childhood. The "lake" was her special place and she and Jack were fortunate to have spent over 30 years there in their retirement. Ruth was an active member of the Minden Hospital Auxiliary and a board member of the Gull Lake Association. Ruth spent most of her working life as an editor - always known for her gift with words. She loved a good book, a comfy couch with a blanket and a view of the water, a glass of wine, with many laughs on the deck with her girls and Jack.

Grandma "cottage" as she was affectionately known, will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. A sincere thank you to the staff at Derbeckers Heritage House in St. Jacobs, who provided such genuine, loving care for the last few months.

Private family interment. Donation to Derbeckers Heritage House in lieu of flowers.





**Merle Elizabeth Joan Charlton
(née Budge),**

*At the age of 101 years, died peacefully on February 2,
2019, in Etobicoke, Ontario. A ceremony to
celebrate the life of Mrs. Charlton will be held in
her childhood hometown of Owen Sound with close
friends and family in October of 2019, followed by
a private gathering at the Reflection Site at Scott's
Dam, Canning Lake, later in the fall.*



Mrs. Charlton was born on October 2, 1917, in Owen Sound, Ontario, to John and Sarah Jane Budge (née Dowkes). She was the youngest of 9 children and lived on the family farm until she started her career as a teacher in a one-room schoolhouse in Grey County in the Owen Sound area. During her studies in Education, she married Austin Winter Charlton (1918-2002) in Owen Sound in 1942. They raised 3 children John Austin, Milton Peter and Murray Norman.

Merle was an avid reader, social activist and environmentalist her entire life. She supported orphanages in India, education for girls in Nepal and was actively engaged in the conservation of natural environments in many parts of the world. Her passion for hiking and understanding different cultural perspectives took her to the remote areas of Asia and the Canadian Arctic. She and her friends from the Unitarian Fellowship cultivated and sustained a community organic garden of vegetables, berries and flowers in her backyard, all of which she openly shared with friends, family and others. As a world traveller, she explored the Mediterranean, toured parts of Latin America and sailed the Caribbean. She spent summers caring for her cottage property that she and her husband established on Canning Lake over 65 years ago.

Her family paid this tribute to her, "Merle taught us the importance of life-long learning, healthy and active living and caring for the environment. She was a generous and caring individual. Staying abreast of local and global issues, Merle would remind us of the need to balance the body, heart, mind and soul to be better able to reach out and care for the underprivileged, our neighbours and others in the world today."

Merle Charlton is survived by her son, John and wife, Sally, her son Milton and wife Connie, and her son Murray and wife Christel, and is fondly remembered by her six grandchildren - Tavia, Bernie, Daniel, Angela, Christian and Sean - and five great grandchildren.

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Monday, September 8, 1997

Fruit trees entice bear into town

by Jerry Grozelle

Forget the beware of dog sign, Minden resident Grace Dixon should have had a beware of bear sign in the front yard. A yearling black bear decided to dine on the cherries in the tree in her front yard on North Water Street September 3. Ed Pergolas, who lives near the end of North Water Street, reported seeing a bear later the same day.

Sightings of black bears throughout the area have been much higher than usual this summer. Bart Hilhorst, a resources technician with the Ministry of Natural Resources, says he has received about 70 reports of bear sightings since late May.

"It has been pretty steady all summer long," Hilhorst said.

He noted that bear sightings early in the summer are not uncommon, but by this time of year, the number of sightings usually decreases dramatically.

"They go wherever there's food," Hilhorst said, adding, "There were no berries this year."

Hilhorst said it was a dry summer so the crop of natural food such as blueberries, raspberries, thimble berries and others was virtually nonexistent. Being opportunists, bears turn to where food is available and if that happens to be a cherry tree in someone's front yard, or a garbage container behind the house, some black bears aren't shy about their eating habits.

Back yard garden sheds and roadside containers won't deter a hungry bear. With a keen sense of smell, a bear can smell garbage from quite a distance.

Hilhorst said there have been no serious encounters between bears and people, but he warns that a sow with cubs can be very dangerous.

"You have to have a lot of respect for these animals; they are very powerful."

By plotting the location of calls, he has been able to follow the course a particular bear has taken.

"It's amazing the number of bears I've been able to track just by telephone calls," Hilhorst said.

Over the course of the summer, nine bears have been live trapped and relocated as far as 30 to 40 miles from where they were caught. But Hilhorst said it isn't unusual for an animal to make its way back to its home territory -- especially an older bear. Younger bears, he said, are more likely to remain in the area where they are released.

A bear was live-trapped in Kinmount last week.

Hilhorst says he hasn't been forced to destroy any bears this season, but he knows of at least three nuisance bears that have been killed by property owners.

"Nobody wants to see them get killed," he said. "The sightings aren't because there are more bears, it's just because they are more visible this year."



Bear with us

Clambering through the upper reaches of a cherry tree in search of food, a yearling bear, above, surveyed the spectators, left, who gathered to watch him dine last Wednesday.

See page five for some tips on avoiding black bear encounters and what to do if you should meet one.

Local DHC will be amalgamated with Durham

by Jack Brezina

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Council (HKPRDHC) was caught off guard by an announcement Thursday that the four-county health service co-ordinating body would be forced to merge with the Durham Region District Health Council. In-coming chair of the local council, Doris Brick of Ennismore, said she was upset and angry about the unexpected announcement and intended to fight the issue.

"This is not good news for our district," Brick said in an interview on Friday. "The area we serve has nothing in

common with Durham. While HKPRDHC is most rural, the Durham region is GTA- (Greater Toronto Area) oriented. Combining the two just doesn't make any sense."

The Thursday announcement by the Ministry of Health was part of a province-wide move to reduce the number of DHCs from 33 to 14. The six DHCs within the central east region were reduced to three. The other two will combine Simcoe and York; and Metro Toronto and Peel DHCs.

The incoming chair is not only concerned about the difference between Durham and HKPR. Brick noted that the local council has been working to

create an integrated district-wide health care system. Much of that effort has been focused on the redevelopment of the two hospitals in Peterborough and the alignment of outlying hospitals with this concept in mind. "Many of our plans are just starting to come together," Brick said. "We have just completed the hospital restructuring study for Peterborough in anticipation of the visit of the provincial restructuring commission. This latest announcement changes the basis on which those plans were created."

Brick pointed out the District Health Council wasn't just working on hospital planning. "We have been addressing all

sectors of health services, emergency, mental health, in-home services, support services, healthy community initiatives, co-ordinating community-wide health service integration such as the Haliburton County model or Coburg/Port Hope effort. What happens to all these, many rural-based, initiatives," she asked, "when they become part of this larger DHC?" Answering her own question, she suggested that many of them will become "lost" as the concerns for the urban issues capture the attention of the board members. She expressed concern as well for the many volunteers across the district who have

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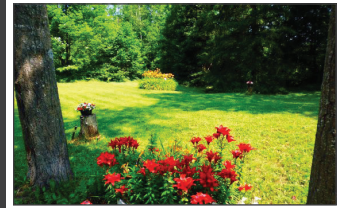
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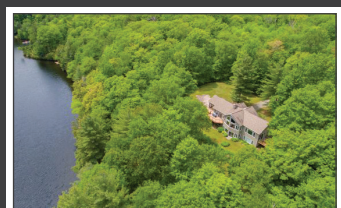
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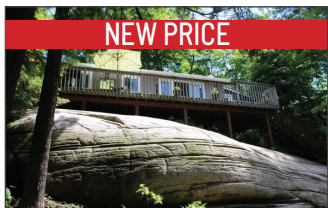
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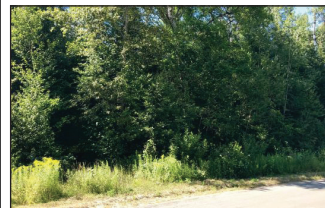
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